Government Health Scheme beneficiaries and drawing basic pay of Rs. 1600/- p.m. and above are entitled to avail of this facility directly and those officers drawing less than Rs. 1600/- basic pay and members of their family can avail of this facility on the recommendation of Authorised Medical Attendant of the concerned Central Government Health Scheme dispensary.

Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan Hospital and its linking to CGHS

2442. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a decision has been taken to include the Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan Hospital, New Delhi under the Central Government Health Scheme;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for not recognising the prescription issued by the Hospital by CGHS dispensaries?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (c) The question of recognition of Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan Hospital under Central Government Health Scheme is under active consideration. The prescriptions are not being recognised by Central Government Health Scheme dispensaries as the Hospital is yet to be recognised under the Scheme

Grievances of the students of the Jamia Millia Islamia

2443. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the studen of the Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Department of Technology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi have submitted representations to Government for solution of their grievances;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of the Jamia Millia Islamia agreed to convert this course into a full fledged degree course and applied to Government for grant of Rs. 4.9 crores for infrastructure which is already available at the Delhi Flying Club;

(d) whether Government propose to take any action to convert this course into a full-fledged degree course with turbo-jet engine practical course at the Palam Airport; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been represented that the course of Aircraft Maintenance Engineering be upgraded to B.E. (Aircraft Maintenance) and its graduates be accepted by Indian Airlines and Air India for direct employment as Trainee Engineers.

(c) to (e) The Jamia Millia has submitted a proposal to UGC for starting a course in B.E. in Air Craft Maintenance and applied for a grant of Rs. 490 lakhs for provision of necessary facilities. The proposal is under consideration of U.G.C.

Increase in fare in the Kerala-Gulf Sector by Air India

2444. SHRI C. HARIDAS: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India has again increased the air

fare between Kerala and Gulf sector despite comparatively existing high fare in this sector;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for hike in this region; and

(c) what remedies Government propose to take to remove anomalies created by the Air India despite the distance being shorter than Bombay-Gulf?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) With effect from October, 1985 the fares on the India-Gulf sector have been increased by 4 per cent.

(b) The increase has been necessitated due to escalation in the operational costs.

(c) The Bombay-Gulf distance is not shorter than the Trivandrum-Gulf distance. Even otherwise it is not always possible to establish fare levels in direct proportion to the route distance. Other factors such as aggregate capacity deployed, competitive conditions prevailing in the market, the need to develop tourist traffic, the economic conditions existing in the concerned markets etc. also govern the determination of fare levels. In view of these factors and their varying impact on different routes, fares per mile unit differ on different sectors.

Conversion of Ramnagar-Moradabad rail line

2445. SHRI KRISHNA NAND JOSHI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1079 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th March, 1984 and state:

(a) what progress has so far been made with regard to conversion of the Moradabad-Ramnagar rail line;

(b) what is the amount sanctioned for this project during the current financial year;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government of Uttar Pradesh has in the recent past requested the Central Government for the expeditious completion of the project;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) by when it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HADHAVRAO SEINDIA): (a) The physical progress is about 35 per cent.

(b) Rs. 1.01 crores.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh has written letter and has also personally discussed the subject.

(e) Its completion will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

Platforms at Guwahati

2446. SHRI (MOLANA) ASRARUL HAQ: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) how many platforms were available for passenger traffic before construction of broad gauge line upto Guwahati;

(b) whether the Department of Railways had directed vide their letter No. 84/TGIII/461/1 dated the 31st July, 1984 to give permission to big contractors to set up bookstalls only on those existing platforms which were replaced due to gauge conversion; and

(c) what are the reasons that orders were flouted by allotting a bookstall to a big contractor on newly constructed platforms number 6-7, at Guwahati, which was to be given to unemployed graduates?